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WEATHER.
Oregon, Washington, Idaho—
Fair and warmer.

A TILLAMOOKIAN VIEW.

Portland, as everyone knows, is not in the habit of asking for much. All they want now is only \$2,500,000 to complete the Columbia river bar project; \$250,000 or \$300,000, or more to put the bar dredge Chinook in commission, which has been idle this year for the want of funds to repair and operate it. Necessary repairs to boilers will cost \$80,000, and operation and maintenance will cost between \$80,000 and \$100,000 a year. Lieutenant-Colonel Roessler, United States Engineer in charge of this district, says that \$80,000 a year for operation will be a sufficient sum. Portland, it is now advocated, will bring pressure to bear on the State Legislature to obtain \$250,000 or \$300,000 for placing this antiquated freak of a reconstructed transport in commission to make Portland and the Willamette river a "deep sea harbor." Portland has struggled everlastingly hard to make a "deep channel to the sea," and we cannot help but admire their staying qualities. But to cap the climax of all things that Portland wants is "free pilotage" and of course, they want the state to foot this bill. If Tillamook had rail facilities and half the money expended on Tillamook bar and harbor that has been expended in trying to make Portland a "deep sea harbor," every shipper on the coast would sit up and take notice. If you lay a ruler on you map you will see that Tillamook bay lies about sixty miles due west from Portland. Some day, in the not far distant future, Tillamook will be a competitor for the shipments to and from the Far East. Portland won't help us, so we will have to help ourselves. We don't see how Portland can expect state aid at the hands of the Legislature when it is not in the habit of assisting that they expect assistance from. Portland don't want much now and never has.—Tillamook Herald.

WOULDN'T TAKE THE RISK.

Apropos of the simplified spelling movement, a New York correspondent tells of a large mercantile establishment in that city whose progressive head accepted his advertising manager's suggestion to have the firm's advertisement printed in phonetic style. The advertisements were duly written out in that manner and a page proof was submitted to the great merchant. The hard-headed man of business puzzled out the several descriptions of his wares set forth on the half-shell plan, and then he sent for his advertisement writer. To that lover of sensations he said that the thing was too much for him, and he was sure it would be too much for his customers. If he himself could not understand it, precious few shoppers would be able to tell what he was driving at. Besides the new-fangled words would give some Smart Alec an opportunity to start a laugh at his expense by saying that the bad spelling was "the old man's personal copy which had been followed literally. As the merchant is rather a scholarly man he did not want any doubt of his ability to spell the English language correctly to get abroad in the community. Hence his advertisements will stick to the safe and sane text. The story undoubtedly illustrates the feeling of a great majority of persons who write for publication. They recognize the incongruities of our crazy

spelling but they are not willing to make it apparently more crazy by introducing forms which are unfamiliar to the eyes of the English-speaking world and over which every reader must stumble and lose time whenever he meets them.—Tacoma Ledger.

NO DEFICIENCY PROBABLE.

Word comes from Washington that the dollar plan of raising expenses for the Republican congressional campaign has proved a failure. While it is to be regretted that this is so, it is not difficult to understand why it is so. The great majority would naturally neglect the matter, though they might regard it as a duty. Then it is likely that most Republicans figured that a dollar each would raise an immense fund, so that they had just concluded that enough would be raised without their help. The result is a wholly insufficient fund, so that the old plan of assessing office holders and holding up people who are in some way interested will be resumed. The campaign methods of this country are responsible for much of the graft and rottenness in politics.—The Dallas Chronicle.

DROVE A GOOD MAN TO DRINK.

A few Sundays ago a farmer drove over to the county attorney's home and demanded the arrest of a neighbor's threshing crew that was "violating the Sabbath." The county attorney was busy pulling weeds in his garden and suggested that the complainant go before the justice of the peace in his own township, but he was informed that the justice was out fixing his windmill. He was then asked to telephone the sheriff and have him attend to the matter but he was busy loading cattle at the stockyards. The farmer was exasperated and resolved to saddle a horse and go for the constable, but his good wife, who was busy canning fruit informed him that the boys had driven the horses to the village, where the boys were in the lineup for a ball game, and that the girls had gone to a picnic. The farmer has been drunk on hard cider ever since and stoutly refuses to be sobered.—Ex.

JUDGES TO TURN CHAUFFEURS.

Another cause for the scarcity of chauffeurs is the inhumanity of judges. Judges who have been leading honest and upright lives heretofore are now placing in jail many of our best chauffeurs, thus compelling us to shift for ourselves or creep along on the low gear. We have a good many more judges than we need, but not enough chauffeurs. Therefore, be it resolved, that our judges be compelled to take up the trade of chauffeuering. Our jails will get a much-needed rest and we will be spared the mortification of soiled hands and the undertakers' trust will prosper.—Ex.

THE OSTENTATIOUS MILLIONAIRE.

The great wealth in question being an essentially new phenomenon, its American possessors have no inherited culture and no inherited positions to guide them in their personal expenditure of it. It tends to produce a class which is held together internally by nothing but emulous extravagance in insane and self-satisfying indulgence, and which asserts its supremacy in the eyes of the general public merely by making this insane self-indulgence ostentatious.—Ex.

EDITORIAL SALAD.

A woman's club in an Illinois town has been earning \$100 a month selling cheap, hygienic and palatable lunches to school children. Is not that better than standing up with white kid gloves on and reading long, dull papers full of shallow platitudes fished out of encyclopedias?

A Massachusetts woman, Mrs. Mary Barrows, has been cured of leprosy at the state leper colony on the island of Penikese and discharged therefrom after having been detained two years. The physicians say that leprosy invariably responds to proper treatment.

Courtesy to women, young and old, should be part of every boy's home training. Without it he is likely to be boorish and selfish and as a rude, overbearing brother and son is in danger of developing into an exacting, discourteous husband.

According to the Jewish religion the maidens of that race are only allowed one kiss before marriage and that is at the time that the engagement is made. My but the average American girl must envy the Jewish maiden her lost opportunities.

Large hips are no longer considered beautiful. By having skirts carefully cut so as to give fullness at the back

Decrease In Marriage Among American Men

By Rev. MADISON C. PETERS of New York

THAT there is an alarming decrease in marriage among American men is a fact which has been again and again corroborated by trustworthy statistics and commented upon by students of sociology. Why do not men marry? Will it be so that in the future COMPARATIVELY FEW MEN WILL MARRY?

Independent careers are becoming more and more impossible to the young men in our land. Salaries even in good positions are low—from \$12 to \$25 a week. How can our hundreds of thousands of clerks in offices and stores support a wife on present day salaries? GENERAL AVERAGES AS TO WAGES ARE PRACTICALLY WORTHLESS. Take an average first class establishment in which the general manager receives \$10,000 a year, his assistant \$5,000, the managers of five departments \$2,000, six clerks an average of \$12 a week, seventy-five laborers with an average of \$1 a day. This would make an average of about \$6 a day for the eighty-eight employees of that store or factory, BUT SEVEN GET NEARLY HALF OF THE SUM TOTAL. So that a mere statement of the average utterly conceals the true facts.

In almost every trade a few workmen receive very high wages, and so American averages of wages conceal the real wages, often very low, paid to a large share of our workers. According to the census 11 per cent of the male workers over sixteen years of age in the New England cotton mills receive less than \$300 a year, 60 per cent of the workers in the anthracite coal regions do not receive \$450 a year, and the mass of unskilled workers in the north receive less than \$400 a year and in the south less than \$300.

In comparing wages in different countries this is a simple fact which is continually forgotten. Marriage is being effectually discouraged by the constantly and greatly INCREASING COST OF LIVING both in town and country.

Parents without fortunes support their daughters in luxury, and girls expect to be thus cared for after marriage.

IT COSTS MORE TO SUSTAIN SUCH A GIRL THAN THE AVERAGE MAN CAN EARN, SO THAT ONLY THE EXCEPTIONALLY FORTUNATE MAN OUGHT TO MARRY.

and hips, one can create a better figure. Hip pads are of course, quite impossible; only the foolish girls will think of wearing them.

One of the largest maternity hospitals in the world will be erected in Chicago, according to plans of the Daughters of the Revolution.

"When did you first become acquainted with your husband?" "The first time I asked him for money after we were married."

A new variety of cripple is now demanding relief at the hands of the physician and osteopath. She is the French heel cripple.

A pretty treatment of sleeves is to make them in modified leg-o'-mutton style, with the embroidery concentrated mostly at the cuff.

DONE BY DEED.

- ETAOIN
United States to Orrin M. Orth, patent, 100 acres in Section 32, T. 6 N., R. 10 W.....
State of Oregon to A. W. Priest, seven deeds, Sectional lands in Clatsop county, 74845 acres.....20,428
L. R. Abercrombie and wife to W. L. Strange, 40 acres, Section 34, T. 6 N., R. 10 W..... 10
Robert Gray et al, lots 5, 6 and 7, block 21, NewAstoria..... 5
Henry Fleckenstein and wife et al to H. C. Harrison, lot 1, in block 7, Inglewood..... 500
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